

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
SOUTHERN REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING, CONTINUED

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, July 20, 2023

Meeting held in Southern Region Office with the Central Region Office via VTC

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, John Stovall, called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

2. Roll Call

John Stovall – Attorney	Present
Nancy Dunn – Public	Present
Dr. Chang Na – Medical (Primary)	Present
Dr. Robert Moeller – Medical (Alternate)	Absent

3. Approval of Consent Calendar (Items 9-11)

These items are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to action by the Hearing Board, the public will be given the opportunity to comment on any consent item.

9. Approve Minutes of Wednesday, June 14, 2023

10. The Southern Region Hearing Board has not heard, nor granted any emergency variances since the June 14, 2023 hearing.

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on August 9, 2023.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Dr. Na
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Na, Dunn
Abstain: None
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 9-11

4. Public Hearing

The Chair, Mr. Stovall, swore in all those present to testify for all matters.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
A. S-23-16S	Short	Kern River Cogeneration 1546 China Grade Loop Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioner: Tim Braly

Shannon Moore presented the staff report.

KERN is requesting a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4703 in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance would be for 96 non-consecutive hours to occur sometime between July 20, 2023, and August 3, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow KERN to operate Unit 2 with excess NOX and CO emissions while they conduct electric system reliability testing.

Shannon Moore noted a few changes in the District's report. Every reference to Unit 1 is now changed to Unit 4, and Permit S-88-1-23 is now changed to S-88-4-25. The petitioner, Tim Braly, asked if the District could leave the unit number open-ended in case they need to use a different Unit, Shannon Moore declined based on the specific Permit conditions identified in the report.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Na, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-16S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-23-17S	Short	Sycamore Cogeneration 1546 China Grade Loop Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioner: Tim Braly

Shannon Moore presented the staff report.

SYCAMORE is requesting a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4703 in addition to the applicable conditions of

the subject permits. The requested short variance would be for 96 non-consecutive hours to occur sometime between July 21, 2023, and August 3, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow SYCAMORE to operate Unit 2 with excess NOX and CO emissions while they conduct electric system reliability testing.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn
Seconded: Dr. Na
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Na, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-17S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-23-18S	Short	Alon Bakersfield Refining 6451 Rosedale Highway Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioner: Matthew Jalali

Shannon Moore presented the staff report.

ALON has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4623 in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be for 30 consecutive days to occur sometime between July 24, 2023 and September 23, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the short variance would allow for the continued storage of VOC containing liquids at the Wastewater Treatment Unit without a functional or operating VRS while they repair a natural gas leak and replace a 250 foot section of header piping.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Na, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-18S

5. Public Comments: None
6. Hearing Board Member Comments: None
7. New Business: None
8. Adjournment: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.